GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
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DEMAND/ AVAILABILITY OF CARBONISED STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of demand and availability of carbonised steel recorded in the country during the last three years;

(b) the details of funds released for the said sector during the last three years;

(c) the details of import and export of the carbonised steel during the last three years; and

(d) the details of production capacity and actual production of carbonised steel during the last three years, public-sector plant-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS)

(a) Demand and availability of finished (carbon) steel in the country during the last three years are given below:

(in million tonnes)

Year	Apparent Demand	Domestic Availability
2004-05	33.5	34.5
2005-06	38.5	39.4
2006-07 (Provisional)	44.0	43.7

(Source: Joint Plant Committee)

(b) No Plan fund was released to Carbon steel producing integrated steel plants i.e Steel Authority of India Ltd.(SAIL)and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd. (RINL) during the last three years. However, SAIL was provided non-plan fund of Rs. 9.30 crores towards interest subsidy in the year 2004-05 and Rs. 70.22 crores towards waiver of penal guarantee fee in the year 2006-07. No non-plan fund was provided to RINL during the last three years.

(c) Import and export of finished (carbon) steel in the country during the last three years are given below :

(in million tonnes)

Year	Imports	Exports
2004-05	2.109	4.381
2005-06	3.850	4.478
2006-07 (Provisional)	4.100	4.750

(Source: Joint Plant Committee)

(d) The crude (Carbon) steel making capacity and production of public sector steel plants viz., Steel Authority of India Ltd.(SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd.

(RINL) during the last three years are given below:-

(in million tonnes)

Year	2004-05		2005-06		2006-07 (Provisional)	
	Capacity	Production	Capacity	Production	Capacity	Production
SAIL (Including IISCO)	12.859	12.460	12.859	13.470	12.839	13.506
RINL	2.910	3.452	2.910	3.494	2.910	3.497
Total	15.769	15.912	15.769	16.964	15.749	17.003

(Source : Joint Plant Committee)